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Letter of support for ESG proposal

Dean,

I want to add my support to the Earth System Grid (ESG) project. Over the lifetime of the ESG, I have seen its capability grow, so that it now provides access to climate model data to a worldwide community of researchers. It is now the mechanism researchers depend on to obtain data for past and future IPCC assessments. I am pleased that the team has made the system easy-to-use and a well-used window that gives access to the data. In the proposal, there will be additional improvements that will extend its capability to find, use, and analyze massive amounts of model-generated data and compare it with observed data. A report on climate model and extreme computing is due to be released soon that also outlines the future developments of ESG.

Sincerely,

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